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La Guía Welcomes All

by La Carta *staff*

To help celebrate its first birthday, La Guía hosted Mega-Mixer '94 at the Union Stop in Pueblo.

Maurcedes provided the dance music, which was a mix of high energy and techno performed or written by Latino artists. Rancheras, Cumbias and Salsas were added to the program after midnight. Food for the entire evening was provided by Pueblo residents.

By the end of the evening over 250 people had passed through the doors for the evening of dancing, food, spirits and fun. La Guía signed up over 30 new members, and distributed information to all in attendance from other organizations including P-FLAG, Pueblo After 2, Ground Zero, Equality Colorado and Lesbians in Colorado.

The next event on La Guía's calendar is the People of Color Arts and Crafts Show. La Guía's membership extends throughout Colorado and so do the artists who will be participating in the show.

The People of Color Arts and Crafts Show is being held at Gentry's, 21 South Tejon, on Saturday and Sunday, April 16 and 17. ▼

PPGLCC Open House Well Attended

by Donald Johnson

The Open House on March 18 was attended by community members from in and out of town, many of whom had been "out of circulation" for several months.

The party started in the Community Center office where guests found wine, cheese and a couple of hours of mixing with old friends. This was followed by dinner downstairs at Rosie's Restaurant, and concluded with two movies at the home of new Community Center members Tom and Joe.

The new office has a reception area and a room for "regular work." It also has a conference room that is available to Community Center members and diversity supportive groups for various purposes, day or night, free of charge.

Photo: Jim Lundy

PPGLCC Top Officers Martin Meier and Margi Duncombe welcome partygoers at the March 18 Community Center Open House.

The new conference room in the PPGL Community Center is available for group meetings day or night by any diversity-supportive group, free of charge.

The new conference room is part of the additional office space suddenly acquired by the PPGL Community Center just last month. "We had a very gay-friendly neighbor who moved to new quarters outside the Independence Building," explains Martin Meier, PPGLCC president. "It was a great opportunity for us to literally triple our office space

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to promote understanding, cooperation and a sense of community among lesbians, gay men and bisexual and transgendered people,

to promote, within society at large, an appreciation of the history, culture and contributions of lesbians, gay men and bisexual and transgendered people,

to assist society at large in understanding the lives of lesbians, gay men and bisexual and transgendered people,

to promote acceptance by society at large of lesbians, gay men and bisexual and transgendered people.

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The PPGLCC Provides You Local Support

The Pikes Peak Gay & Lesbian Community Center uses the advertising revenue from Community Vision and money from annual dues (and generous donations!) to sponsor and finance the following activities:

- The annual Community Congress
- The annual Pride Week, including the Pride Parade
- The Anti-Violence Project
- The Helpline, answering over 1000 calls for information per year
- Referrals to 24 support groups and organizations in the Pikes Peak Area
- Publishing of *Community Vision* monthly
- Building and supporting our region's lesbian, gay and bisexual community

Community Center

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overnight. I am very pleased about our new offices. Now we've got a space where people can meet and things can happen."

To reserve this room, call the Community Center at 471-4GAY or 471-4429. Or you can come downtown and visit our new suite of four offices in the Independence Building at 121 E. Pikes Peak, Suite 468. Visitors are welcome.

Other space will be used for the front desk, seating for visitors and an information center with library materials, a bulletin board, and a desk for the PPGLCC Helpline telephone.

Tami Gaylor, Helpline coordinator, explains that Helpline phone calls will no longer be diverted to the home phones or answering machines of various Helpline volunteers all over town.

"Instead, as much as possible, our Helpline volunteers will actually be in the Community Center during fixed hours to answer the phone. No more telephone diverter. I threw it away. It hasn't worked in weeks anyway."

"When the phones aren't manned, callers can leave messages on the answering machine and we'll return calls as soon as possible. As time goes on, I hope new volunteers can help us cover the Helpline phone during all regular office hours, and maybe on weekends too."

If you want to be a Helpline volunteer, call Tami at 471-4303. If you want to help out in the Community Center office or if you want to reserve the conference room for a group meeting, call Donald at 471-4GAY or 471-4429.

The following April meetings will be held in the PPGLCC conference room:

•6 pm Fridays, April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 - Support group for transsexuals, transvestites and transgendered persons. Call Samantha Van Gelder, 635-1098.

•8 pm Wednesday, April 6 - "New Phazes" meeting.

•8 pm Tuesday, April 12 - PPGL Community Center board meeting.

•7 pm Friday, April 22 - "Emotional Ownership: Healing Our Pain in Colorado Springs", a joint lecture by Donald Johnson and William Shaffer. Free.

•10 am to 6 pm, Saturday and Sunday, April 23-24 - "Karmic Astrology for Gays and Lesbians", a course by William Shaffer. $50. Call Donald at 632-0347 or 471-4429.

•7-10 pm, Monday, April 25 (continuing on four Mondays in May) - "Emotional Ownership," a course with Donald Johnson and William Shaffer. $50. Call Donald at 471-4429 or 632-0347.

•6 pm Wednesday, April 27 - "New Phazes" collating party. ▼

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Sue, Tamara and Buffy

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Minutes of the March 8 Board Meeting

The March 8 meeting of the PPGLCC board of directors, held in the Community Center office, was attended by Bruce Coriell, Margi Duncombe, Martin Meier, Marion Muhme and Mike Shaver. Guests were Jack Beal, Donald Johnson and Ramona Lidmila. Board members Tami Gaylor and Tamara Bartlett were excused.

The executive committee reported on the lease for the Community Center office, the cost of the new computer and future office furniture, and staffing for the office.

Other business discussed included plans for the Center's open house on March 18, proposed new board members and the need for additional Bingo volunteers.

Project reports: The **Anti Violence Project** has processed 56 calls during a 9-month period, said Ramona Lidmila. Future plans were discussed and an update was given on a late March joint retreat with the combined Denver and Colorado Springs AVPs.

Mike Shaver reported on **Fund Raising** and the progress of a direct mail campaign.

There were no other committee reports, and there was no new business.

Respectfully submitted,
Margi Duncombe
for Weldon Walker, Secretary ▼

Treasurer's Report

FEB-MAR INCOME		
Donations	185.00	
Memberships	265.00	
Advertising	312.50	
TOTAL INCOME		762.50
FEB-MAR EXPENSES		
Fund Raising	0.00	
Office Supplies	134.47	
Postage	80.00	
Printing	382.00	
Telephone	103.35	
TOTAL EXPENSES		579.82
EXCESS INCOME	182.68	

The above figures represent only money deposited and spent through the Operating account. Income and expenses through the Bingo account are reported quarterly.

Respectfully submitted,
AE, Treasurer ▼

New Helpline Hours Announced

by Tami Gaylor

In past years the Helpline's phone equipment has automatically transferred incoming calls to the homes of various volunteers. Now that the equipment has been moved to the PPGLCC office the Helpline volunteers will be staffing the office during Helpline hours, answering the phone from the PPGLCC office at 121 East Pikes Peak, and eliminating the need for the call diverter.

Regular Helpline hours of operation are now

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Colorado Springs

Monday-Friday, 6:00 - 9:00 pm. On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday there will also be a Helpline Volunteer available from 2:00 - 6:00 pm.

At other hours your calls will be answered by other office volunteers, if available, or by the answering machine. Messages left on the machine are retrieved every few hours, and calls are returned promptly. ▼

PrideFest '94 Needs Volunteers During the Next 100 Days

by Donald Johnson

April 1 begins the 100-day countdown to "PrideFest '94", and we need your help to make it a success.

This year's PrideFest weekend in Colorado Springs will be held July 15-17, one week after the Denver PrideFest parade. PrideFest '94 activities will include:

- Gay/lesbian film festival
- 5000-meter Freedom Run in Monument Valley Park
- Family Picnic following the race
- Annual Pride Parade
- And much more!

We will give you more details in future issues of *Community Vision*. But we need your help to make it all happen. In the next 3-4 months, we need volunteers to help in all areas of the PrideFest weekend, including entertainment in Acacia Park following the Pride Parade. If you want to help organize this gay-positive summer weekend, please call either Chris Baka (444-0464) or Stan Wright (475-1082). ▼

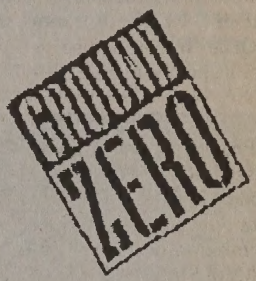
Events

Richard Mohr Lecture at Colorado College

by Donald Johnson

Richard D. Mohr, noted gay lecturer and author, will speak at 7:30 PM Wednesday, April 13th at Colorado College on ideas from his new book, *A More Perfect Union: Why Straight America Must Stand Up For Gay Rights*. He will explain how the most basic and widely held values of American society demand justice for gays and lesbians.

The lecture will be in the Gates Common Room of Palmer Hall on the Colorado College campus. Admission is free, and Mohr will remain after the lecture to sign his book and discuss it with members of the audience. The book is available for purchase at The Chinook Bookshop, 210 North Tejon.



On the day after the lecture, Mohr will hold a televised discussion of the so-called gay agenda with Dan Griswold, editorial page editor of the Colorado Springs *Gazette-Telegraph*. They will appear together at 12:30 PM Thursday, April 14, on Channel 11's "Jennings and Jennings" show.

Mohr's 1992 book, *Gay Ideas: Outing and Other Controversies*, was rejected by 23 printers before his Beacon Press publisher found a company willing to

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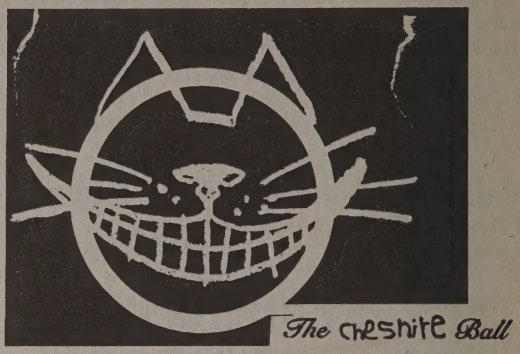
print the controversial art work by Robert Mapplethorpe and other gay artists. The book then won the 1992 Editor's Choice Award from the Lambda Book Report.

Mohr, a professor of philosophy at the University of Illinois, also wrote *Gays/Justice: A Study of Ethics, Society and Law* (1988). He has published articles in The *Nation*, The Boston *Globe*, *Frontiers* and The Chicago *Tribune*.

Richard Mohr's visit to Colorado Springs is being jointly sponsored by All Souls Unitarian Church, B-GALA at Colorado College, Citizens Project, the Colorado Springs Minority Coalition, Ground Zero, La Guía and P-FLAG. For more information please call 635-6086. ▼

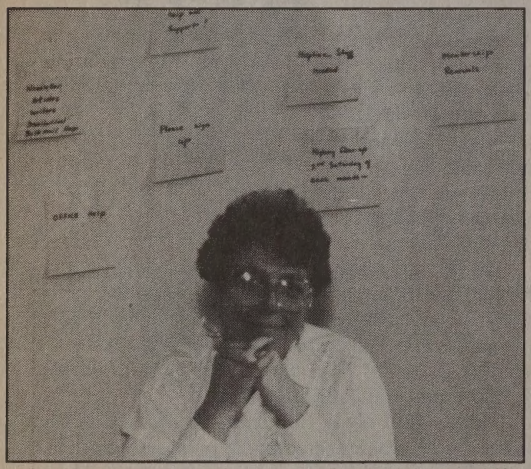
The Cheshire Ball: April 23

by Greg Varner



The Cheshire Ball (black tie optional) on April 23 will benefit the Child Advocacy and Protection Team of the Denver Children's Hospital and other Colorado organizations dedicated to the prevention of child abuse.

Organizations including Equality Colorado, the Gill Foundation, Ground Zero, *Out Front* and P-FLAG have organized this benefit for several reasons. The Child Advocacy and Protection Team at the Children's Hospital provides medical and other types of assistance to families who have needs surrounding child abuse and neglect issues, regardless of their abilities to pay. This Team also provides physician training to those specializing in child abuse. They also do research used around the country, most recently an article to be published this month in *Pediatrics*, documenting that 98% of all child abuse cases are carried out by heterosexual perpetrators. The Cheshire Ball will raise money to help these organiza-



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tions continue their work.

This fund raising event will also be an opportunity for portraying the lesbian and gay community in a positive light, showing the rest of the state who we are and that we, too, care about children and families. We will be supporting these advocacy groups not only by our actions, but also with our money.

The publicity of this event will also bring more public awareness to the issue of child abuse in the state of Colorado.

For the price of $100 you can attend the Patrons' Dinner beginning at 6:00 PM in the Norwest Bank Atrium, 1740 Broadway in Denver. Cocktails are included, as is admission to the Cheshire Ball at 8:00 PM. For the price of $50, you can skip the dinner, pay for your own drinks and enjoy the party. Individual sponsorships are available, as are corporate tables.

For tickets or more information, call the Ground Zero office in Colorado Springs at 635-6086 (ask for Katherine Pease), or the Cheshire Ball office in Denver at (303) 894-3638. ▼

Pikes Peak MCC Offers Dating Class

by MCC Staff

"Radical Dating in the 90s" is the name of a six week class that will be offered at Pikes Peak Metropolitan Community Church beginning in April. The class will meet on Tuesdays from 7:00 - 8:00 PM beginning April 5, at All Souls Unitarian Church, 730 North Tejon.

According to Rev. Nori Rost, pastor of Pikes Peak MCC and facilitator of the class, she developed the curriculum after realizing how ill prepared society had made the lesbian, gay and bisexual community for dating. "We have what I call 'the lost adolescence', Rost said. "We were never given the opportunity to learn how to date in our teenage years. If you were out as a lesbian or gay teenager, you were too busy trying to survive to ask your best friend to the prom." If you weren't out, Rost said the heterosexist dating technique you learned as a teenager is not suited for same sex relationships.

Rost is excited about teaching the class here because she believes it gives tools to our community to plan deliberately for healthy relationships and to avoid some of the pitfalls of past relationships.

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Flowers

by Gentry's

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Donna and Pamela

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There is no fee for the class. For more information, or to register, please call Rev. Rost at the church office, 634-3771. ▼

Lavender U in the Springs

by GLBCSCC staff

Lavender University, a gay, lesbian and bisexual learning experience, will hod its first branch campus at Coloardo College on April 16. A program of the Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Community Services Center of Colorado (formerly the GLCCC) located in Denver, Lavender University is based on the "free university" format with one notable difference: the classes are designed for and by gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender communities.

Now in its third year, Lavender U has offered classes in cooking, alternative medicine, spirituality, sports and outdoor events, lesbian literature and gay culture, as well as many others. Lavender U is committed to providing quality educational, social and recreational opportunities in a gay friendly environment.

Lavender U in the Springs will be a one day event, beginning with registration at 12:30 pm at Colorado College's Student Cultural Center. Classes will run from 1:00 - 5:00 pm. Several classes will be offered, including classes on massage, financial planning, introduction to square dancing and a book discussion with a local author. After a short break all students and friends are invited to a pot luck dinner in the Student Cultural Center with music for dancing provided by the Rainbeaus of Denver. Kitchen facilities will be available, in which students may leave their put luck dish during the class.

Proceeds will benefit the Pikes Peak Gay & Lesbian Community Center (Colorado Springs). For more information call the Helpline, 471-4429. ▼

Sacred Cows and Capital Offenses

by Mary Sprunger-Froese

First Strike Theater has taken the offensive, again, with "Sacred Cows and Capital Offenses," billed as a moo-sical revue.

Greed, guns, piety and self help get milked when First Strike's uppity people take a look from the "udder" side.

Performances are April 8-9 and 15-16, at 8:00 pm at the West Intergenerational Learning Center, 1920 West Pikes Peak. Admission is $7 ($3 low income); tickets are available at the door. Call 632-6189 for more information on this Arts for Peace project from the Pikes Peak Justice and Peace Commission. ▼

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Please send application and membership fee/contribution to PPGLCC, P. O. Box 607, Colorado Springs, CO 80901.

Events & Classes

New Board Member and Partner Giving Lecture and Classes

by CV staff

Donald Johnson, who was elected to the PPGL Community Center board of directors last month, and his 10-year partner William Shaffer will give a joint lecture and teach two courses in April at the Community Center. The lecture and courses are the first such activities to be offered in the Community Center's new downtown location at 121 E. Pikes Peak, Suite 468.

The joint lecture, entitled "Emotional Ownership: Healing Our Pain in Colorado Springs," will be at 7:00 pm Friday, April 22 in the Community Center conference room. Admission is free.

Then from 10 am to 6 pm during the next two days (Saturday and Sunday, April 23 and 24), William will teach a course called "Karmic Astrology for Gays and Lesbians." The cost of this 2-day weekend course, which will be held in the Community Center conference room, is $50.

Then at 7 pm Monday, April 25, William and Donald will begin a 5-week course entitled "Emotional Ownership". This course, held in the Community Center conference room, costs $50 and will continue for four consecutive Mondays (May 2, 9, 16 and 23).

The lecture and two courses are specifically designed for lesbians, gays, bisexuals and transgendered people in the Pikes Peak area. This is a new experience for William and Donald, who have spent the last seven years working with mostly straight people in Norway and Sweden in the area of personal growth.

"Those seven years were a great learning experience for me," says Donald. "But last summer I started feeling that it was over. It was time for me to come back to Colorado. So in January I re-settled here in the Springs, and this time I really wanted to live and work among gays and lesbians. They are my family and I really feel good when I am around them."

But Donald is also aware of "the tremendous pain" among gays, lesbians, bisexuals and transgendered people here in Colorado Springs. "I want to do all I can to help heal this pain. And in the process I want to keep growing and healing my own pain as well. It CAN all be healed, you know. There IS a way out."

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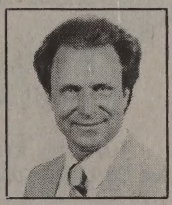
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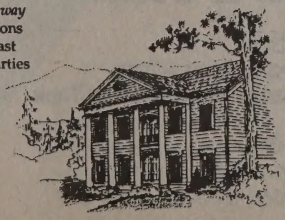

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William and Donald's lecture and two courses will all focus on the process of "emotional self-ownership".

"That might sound like psychobabble to you," says Donald, "but it really describes what William and I are trying to share here. In our 10 years of working and living together and often going through hell together or alone, we feel we have learned something valuable, something that works, something we want to share with others who are open to it. It might not be the only answer or the whole answer. But it is our truth, it works for us, and we want to share it because we think it can help others who are hurting, just like we are."

Donald explains that "emotional ownership" is a two-part process. "First, we need to let ourselves feel and express and explore all our emotions, the darker the better. But if we do that with blame and victim-consciousness and criticism and attack on others, the result is simply more violence and more pain.

"The solution is to OWN what we feel and experience, instead of projecting all our bad experiences onto others as their fault. This process is simple to talk about. But it's hell to actually do it because it means we must all take full responsibility for everything that happens in our lives. We can't keep blaming our problems on the Christians or on the lover who left us. "

The purpose of the Friday night lecture is to introduce these ideas in more detail and to tell people what the two courses are all about. Those who want to attend the two courses can sign up at that time.

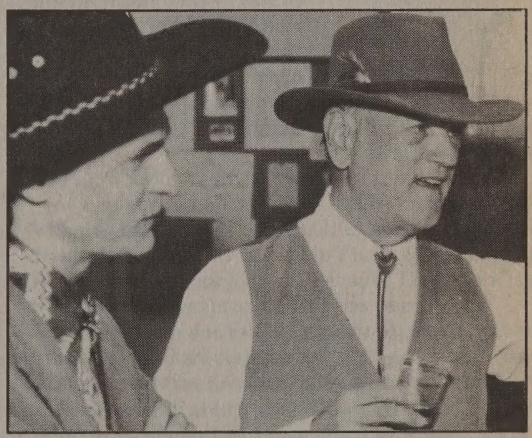
William's weekend astrology course will use the ancient tool of astrology in a new way so gays, lesbians, bisexuals and transgendered people can better understand themselves, their lives and their relationships.

Then in the 5-week Emotional Ownership course, William and Donald plan to "create a safe and supportive environment where people can feel and express their emotions."

But, says William, "this won't be just a rambling bitch session, something gays are great at. In this course we have to OWN our feelings. We have to DO something to heal and release these emotions."

William goes on to discuss one of his favorite subjects, victim consciousness. "We desperately need to release our self-created illusion of victimization. We are NOT victims of anyone but our own denials, which people like the religious right are simply mirroring back to us. They have their own pain and problems and blockages and darkness, but they are not the cause of our problems. We are. We have to face our fears and be who we are 100%. Only then will the persecution stop."

For more information on the lecture or courses, call Donald at 632-0347 or 471-4429. ▼



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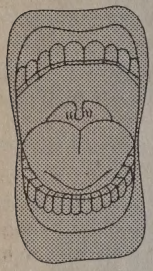
March, Hell!

by Frank Whitworth

The controversy over gays and lesbians marching in the Boston St. Patrick's Day Parade has this person amused, bemused and slightly perplexed. Personally I can't see why any self respecting queer would want to march in that parade.

Take it from a person who lived for several years on the corner of "N" and 6th, dead center in the land of Southie (South Boston), the location of the Irish ghetto in the City of Boston. The St. Patrick's Day Parade is no jewel!!



How well I remember as I approached my first St. Patrick's Day in one of the Irish capitols of the United States. I thought to myself that it would be great -- a real treat to be right at the source of the fever that overtakes all America on March 17th. How quaint and culturally rewarding I imagined it.

It was a horror show. Living a block from the parade was no treat. I was warned in advance to move my cars out of Southie if I valued the windows and paint jobs, and I did that. But even with this warning I still believed I was in for the time of my life.

The parade was just starting as I walked the several blocks to the main point the parade would pass. Unfortunately the revelers had not just started. Public drunkenness was evident everywhere, not at the end but rather at the beginning of the parade. People were screaming, fighting, urinating in public, cursing, making out, puking their guts out and passed out on every corner. Drunken spectators screamed at, cursed and threatened parade participants, including high school band members. In one case, an older lady ran up to a poor young clarinetist, cursing her at the top of her voice and then she proceeded to throw up all over the poor girl. Even the New Orleans Mardi Gras did not rival the obscenity of this event.

The only relation this had to a religious ceremony was the several church dignitaries in the parade. I should have thought they would be appalled, but they just smiled and blessed all. To claim that gays and lesbians should be excluded from this event because it is a religious ceremony stretches the most fundamental imagination.

This is one queer who chose not to go to the second or third parade during my stay in Boston. I chose rather to go to the calm and decency of a gay establishment called the Club Cafe, where a great jazz group was playing to a well behaved crowd as many dined and others had cocktails.

March in the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Boston??? Hell!!! The more miles away from it I am, the better I feel! ▼

Unofficial St. Patrick's Day Parade Leaves Out Gays

BOSTON (Mar. 21 GayNet) — The city's official St. Patrick's Day Parade was formally canceled when the South Boston Allied War Veterans Council refused to sponsor this year's event after the state supreme court said a gay and lesbian group had a right to march.

But there was a parade, sort of, Sunday, Mar. 20, anyway. A quickly organized motorcade assembled in South Boston with more than 200 vehicles, packed with Irish-Americans, briefly drove along the usual route of the parade, but not with members of the Irish-American Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual Group of Boston. ▼

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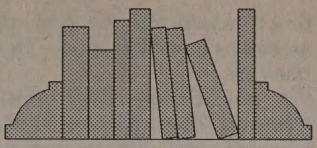

You gotta love a couple of guys who meet at the gym, fall in love, and change their names to publicly proclaim We Are Forever Betrothed. Oh Happy Life! Oh Joyous Matrimony! *Straight From the Heart* (Warner, $21.94) by Rod and Bob Jackson-Paris is the story of two men who have made their lives a beautiful statement that equality, love and mutual support are what make the world go 'round.

Rod Jackson, Boy of the Plains, grew up in Colorado, attended CSU in Ft. Collins, and came out at Tracks in the early 80s (who knows? maybe I was there one night with a fake ID when Rod was twirling around on the floor). Rod (the sensitive one, apparently) was a jock, a frat boy, but he had The Secret Knowledge:

"I knew deep down that I wasn't like everyone else. I went out of my way to be compassionate toward people who were different. Being gay gave me the perspective to understand that it's not right to be unkind to people just because they're different."

Well, that's a far cry from Michelangelo Signorille (*Queer in America*) beating up the queers to hide his own sexuality! Rod didn't easily accept his sexuality and it was only when he came out was he able to embrace his queerness and objectively understand that indeed it was being gay that made him sensitive to people's needs.

So Rod was working at an unidentified gym in Denver when in waltzed Bob Paris, famous body builder ("freaky sport," according to Rod) and their destiny was revealed. After this brief, non sexual encounter they both ended up in Los Angeles and eventually got together.

Rod the model and Bob the body builder painfully relate how dehumanizing fame can be: the tacit cooperation with the press to avoid questions that might give away one's homosexuality; agents and others encouraging gays and lesbians to be seen in public with the opposite sex, thus providing a cover, a false front. Signorile, you'll remember, worked in the gossip column industry and knew first hand that keeping the stars in the closet perpetuates the lies surrounding the reality of gay lives. Rod and Bob defied the machine, refusing to hide the truth of their love. These are not men who compromise -- they have loudly proclaimed their commitment to each other. This book won't win any awards but Rod and Bob can revel in the fact that their courage might keep some queer teenager from suicide. That we could all be such role models!

A couple of other notes: Chinook still has copies of *While England Sleeps* by David Leavitt. Leavitt lost a lawsuit to author Stephen Spender and Penguin recalled the libelous novel. Get 'em while they're hot!

Chinook is also stocking Richard Mohr's *A More Perfect Union: Why Straight America Must Stand Up for Gay Rights* (Beacon, $15.00).

AIDS Research

The Story So Far
WGBH Boston for PBS

AIDS Research airs on Tuesday, April 12, at 9:00 pm on PBS stations around the country.

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ANGEL OF DEATH ROW...from Page 9

rent trends continue. But there is some news: scientists are finding clues in "resisters" -- people exposed to the virus who have not become ill. These clues have led to a new vaccine...it may be the best hope, but it also may be the most dangerous. Who will make the tough decisions?

This one hour special uses state of the art graphics to show how the AIDS virus lives and survives despite science's best efforts. *AIDS Research* provides an up to the minute account of "The Story So Far."

AIDS Research is made possible by a grant from The Aaron Diamond Foundation. ▼

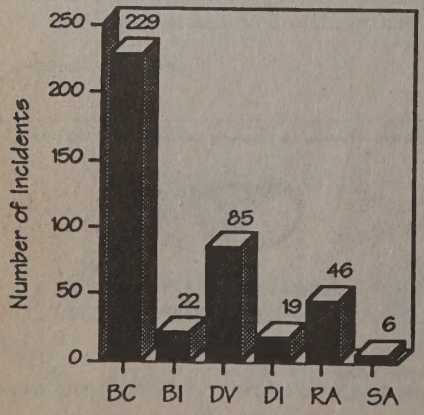
AVP Releases Statistics

by Jill Miller

Greetings from the Anti Violence Project/Colorado Springs! As some of you know, the Anti Violence Project is a service of the Pikes Peak Gay & Lesbian Community Center. We are a 24 hour crisis line that is accessible from any telephone by dialing 338-8899.

We work in conjunction with the Anti Violence Project in Denver to record incidents of violence directed at the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgendered and supportive communities. The information compiled for Colorado is used nationally to combat bias related crimes.

The Anti Violence Project was initiated in Colorado Springs on April 1, 1993. The graph reports the first 9 months of activity reported in Colorado Springs as well as the 1993 total for Denver. Graph definitions are:



Bias Crime. The FBI defines a bias crime as a "criminal offense committed against a person or property which is motivated, in whole or *in part*, by the offender's bias against a race, religion, ethnic/national origin or sexual orientation group." For example, property damage or defacement, physical violence or threats of violence.

Bias Incident. Bias incidents are also motivated by the perpetrators prejudice, but usually do not include any criminal offense. Examples might include name calling, written slurs, harassing telephone calls or threats of "outing."

Domestic Violence. Domestic violence includes physical or emotional partner abuse, intimidation, isolation, threats of physical violence or threats of self inflicted harm, property theft or defacement, reckless driving, etc.

Discrimination. Bias motivated unfair treatment by an individual, business or other official institution.

Random. Included in this category are incidents that were not classified under any other heading, although clients did receive services from the Anti Violence Project. For example, the client was gay, but the incident reported was not necessarily gay related.

Sexual Assault. Unwanted sexual contact or attention, either by force or intimidation.

If you have experienced any of these scenarios, or know someone who has, call the Anti Violence Project at 338-8899. It only takes 10 minutes to report an incident. Remember, your call is free and completely anonymous.

The Anti Violence Project is a non-profit, volunteer organization that operates on business sponsorships and private donations. All contributions to the project are tax deductible and can be mailed directly to the Anti Violence Project at P.O. Box 1843, Colorado Springs, CO 80901.

Volunteer opportunities are also available within the project as crisis line staff, advertising staff, victim advocates, safety awareness coordinators/instructors, fund raisers, etc. If you are interested in volunteering or would like more invormation, call us today! ▼

REAL ESTATE NEWS AND COMMENT

by tom halfast, gri realtor

NEW MILITARY ARRIVALS. Members of the Special Forces began arriving in March and are finding a very tight real estate market. Though rumors of a base closing abound the talk has had little or no effect on local housing with the average home appreciating at about 1% per month.

TO BUILD OR NOT TO BUILD. If you're considering having a home built from plans and sticks you need to budget about 6-8 month's time. Both production (tract) and custom builders have significant backlog and shortages of experienced crews.

SELLER'S PROPERTY DISCLOSURE. If you're buying or selling a residence in Colorado and are using the services of a Realtor then the seller's property disclosure form should be included as an addendum to the contract. The form itself is just what it purports to be -- an accounting of the condition of the home as the seller knows. This includes appliances, major systems, roof, structure and environmental concerns.

PRE QUALIFICATION OR PRE APPROVAL? Frequently buyers will ask me which is better for them, and without fail the answer is pre approval. I can pick up the phone and call any lender in town and get a no charge, no obligation pre qualification. However, it's as good as the paper on which it is written (NONE!). On the other hand, pre approval requires a commitment of time and money. In this instance the future homeowner lines up financing before finding their dream home. And in today's market, if you find yourself in a multiple offer situation, the strongest offer wins. *Get pre approved!*

TRANSACTION BROKERAGE. Ask your Realtor about this option for representation.

THE TAX MAN COMETH. April 15th is just around the corner. Consult with a CPA or tax preparer to get the breaks. Call me -- I can recommend several.

MORTGAGE RATES. In the past month the

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REAL ESTATE NEWS...from Page 15

Federal Reserve has moved to dampen potential inflation by raising short term interest rates. As a result, all consumer credit vehicles have seen increased rates, including mortgage rates. Since hitting bottom last fall at about 7% rates have risen to their current level of about 8.5%. Most lenders offer a lock 'n shop program which permits borrowers to set their interest rate and then go look for a home.

Tom Halfast, GRI, is a Realtor with Century 21 Cornerstone and provides this monthly column as a service to the community. Tom may be reached at 632-8551 or 685-0621. His office is located at 1024 West Colorado Avenue near Old Colorado City. ▼

Information for *Community Vision* may be sent directly to the editor: 1822 Mid Road, CSC, 80906; or phoned: 633-6383; or faxed: 632-1490. You may also call the Helpline, or send articles to the community center address.

Music and Poetry

A P-FLAG Fund Raiser

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The Southern Colorado AIDS Project has an opening for a grant funded administrative/bookkeeping assistant. 25 hours per week, four days per week, six hours daily. Good computer knowledge of Lotus, WordPerfect and Windows. Basic accounting knowledge. High School diploma. Good communication skills, written and verbal. Applications should include cover letter and resume, and be mailed to S-CAP, Administrative Support, P.O. Box 311, Colorado Springs, CO 80901. Deadline: April 22. No phone calls, please.

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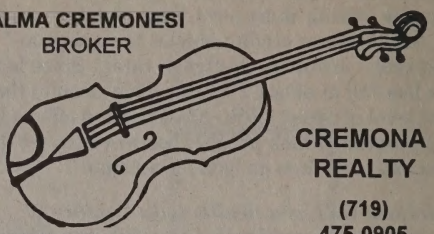

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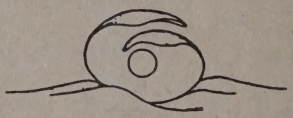

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Fund Raising Fever

by Greg Varner

You'll notice several fund raisers that have been mentioned in this newsletter in the last few issues. In April, income tax month for most of us, P-FLAG is having their first large fund raiser I can recall, an evening of music and poetry at All Souls Unitarian Church on April 16. Parents and Friends of Lesbians andGays will use the money the raise to help pay for their meeting room every month, to buy materials from P-FLAG headquarters, to help print and mail their quarterly newsletter and to purchase educational videos.

By the time you receive this newsletter Southern Colorado AIDS Project will have just held their annual Black Tie Dinner and Silent Auction at the Broadmoor, where they hope to raise money to fund many of the direct client services they provide to 24 counties in southern Colorado.

Ground Zero is working with several other groups, including P-FLAG, Equality Colorado, the Gill Foundation and *Out Front*, to make their April 23 Cheshire Ball a successful fund raiser on behalf of the Child Advocacy and Protection Team at the Children's Hospital in Denver and several other like minded organizations around the state.

And our own Community Center, along with the United Court, both seem to be on non stop fund raising campaigns, the Court with its weekly shows and the Community Center with its Bingo games.

These are just the people we know. When was the last time you were able to sit through a dinner at home without receiving a donation soliciting phone call?

No big surprises, but for the most part I think you all would be pleased with the way this money is spent and what it buys. Next month we'll print an in depth article on this subject which we hope will inspire you to keep giving to your favorite organizations so they can keep operating and stay solvent.

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Cuomo Pressuring GOP Over Rights Bill

ALBANY, N.Y. (Mar. 24 GayNet) — The New York *Times* reports that Gov. Mario Cuomo has joined gay rights activists in putting pressure on Republicans in the New York Senate to support a statewide gay rights measure.

A bill last year passed the state Assembly, but died when Senate majority leader Ralph Marino, a Republican, refused to bring the measure to the floor for a vote. Cuomo ridiculed the Republicans for avoiding a vote on the measure. "Get out," Cuomo said of the Senate Republicans. "Get yourself a job somewhere else. If you don't want to say what it is you believe, then you don't belong here."

The *Times* reported that a number of GOP senators last year had privately expressed concerns over a backlash over the measure and wanted to avoid a floor vote altogether. ▼

Homophobic Congressman Outs House Colleague

WASHINGTON, D.C. (Mar. 25 GayNet) — Arch-conservative Rep. Robert Dornan (R-Calif.), attacked fellow Republican Rep. Steve Gunderson (R-Wisc.) on the floor of the House of Representatives in a speech, accusing Gunderson of having "a revolving door on his closet" and of hiding his homosexuality. Gunderson had just finished pointing out what he said were defects in how an education funding amendment was written. He said the measure "has the effect of prohibiting school counseling and guidance. It has the effect of prohibiting AIDS education."

Dornan then rose and, after denouncing children's books that refer to gay parents or a gay lifestyle in positive terms, turned on Gunderson, who was sitting nearby and made his remarks. "He's in, he's out, he's in, he's out, he's in," the fiery Dornan said. "I guess you're out because you went up and spoke to a huge homosexual dinner, Mr. Gunderson."

Gunderson had addressed an annual dinner of the Human Rights Campaign Fund in Baltimore on Mar. 12

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Dornan later told the States News Service, "We have a rep on our side who is a homo who goes in and out of the closet. I have just had it with him saying he takes second place to no one in this House ... (in) upholding Christian principles."

Gunderson said he would "not dignify" the congressman's remarks with an answer. ▼

Court Approves FBI Settlement with Gay Ex-Agent

SAN FRANCISCO (Mar. 22 GayNet) — An agreement between gay former FBI agency Frank Buttino, fired by the bureau in 1990 because of his sexual orientation, and the agency has been formally approved.

The settlement gives Buttino, a 20-year veteran of the federal law enforcement agency, $205,000 as well as a civil service pension, which will begin in 13 years when Buttino will be 62 years old. More importantly, it requires that the FBI halt all discrimination based on sexual orientation in the agency.

The agreement was formally approved by a judge in San Francisco Tuesday, Mar. 22. The settlement came about as a result of the lawsuit, which eventually became a class-action suit, filed by the ex-FBI agent after his abrupt dismissal. ▼

HIV-Positive Visitors Can Attend Gay Games

WASHINGTON (Mar. 22 GayNet) — The Clinton administration will permit foreigners infected with HIV to attend Gay Games IV in New York this June.

After being advised by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention that there was no public health reason to prohibit the brief stay, Attorney General Janet Reno on March 22 approved a waiver to a rule prohibiting people with HIV from entering the United States.

Visas granted under the waiver will allow visitors to stay in the country for up to 10 days. Between 10,000 and 15,000 participants and spectators from more than 40 countries are expected to attend the event. ▼

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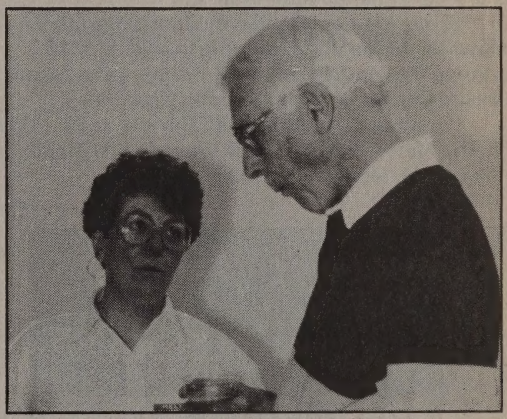

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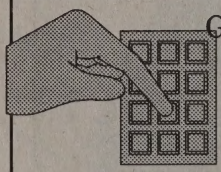

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National

Traveling to Stonewall

by Donald Johnson

Seats are still available for air travel to Gay Games IV and the Stonewall Anniversary Celebration in New York City this summer. Metro Travel Corporation of Denver is currently booking round-trip plane reservations for people who want to attend the combination Gay Games and Stonewall Anniversary Celebration in New York City, June 18-26. The Gay Games are held all over New York City from June 18-26. The Stonewall Celebration itself takes place on the weekend of June 24-26.

Plane fares are $300 each, which does not include hotel arrangements. One group will leave from Denver on Friday, June 17, and a second group will leave on Saturday, June 18. Both groups will fly back to Denver on Monday, June 27.

If you want to attend only the Stonewall Celebration weekend, the round-trip price is $325. This group flies out of Denver on Friday, June 24 and returns to Denver on Monday, June 27.

For more information, call Beverly at 303-333-6777. The Metro Travel office is located at 90 Madison, Suite 101, Denver, CO 80206.

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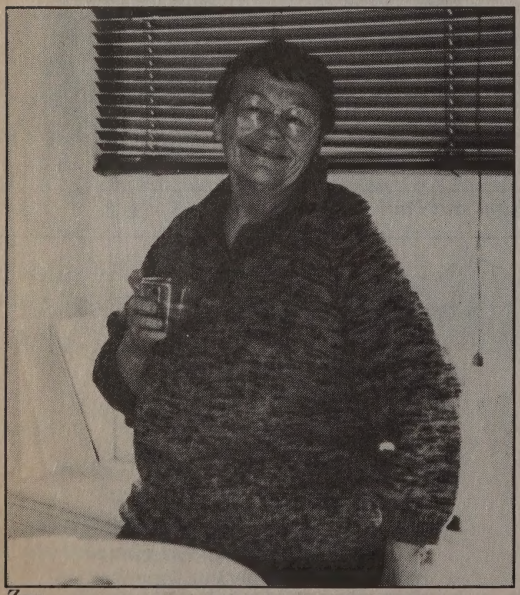

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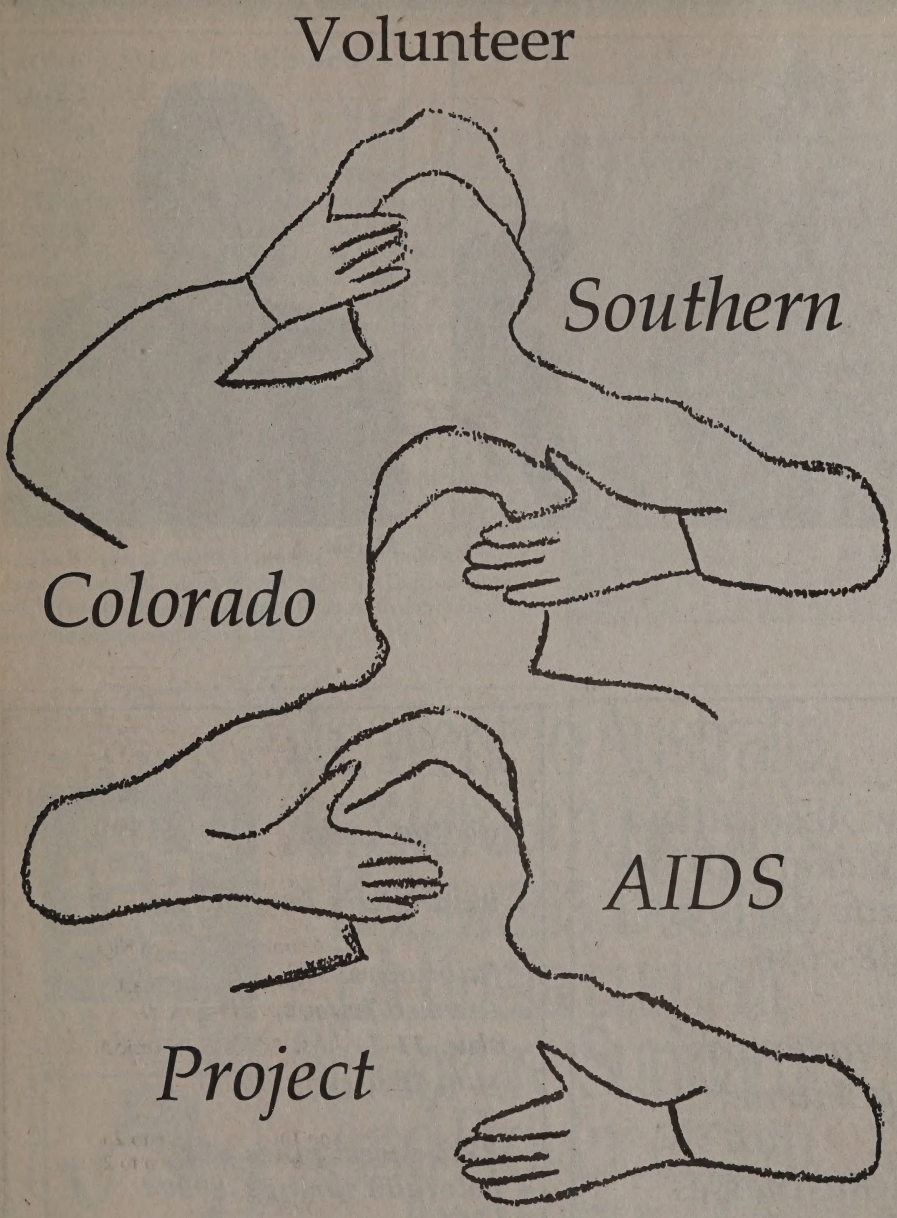

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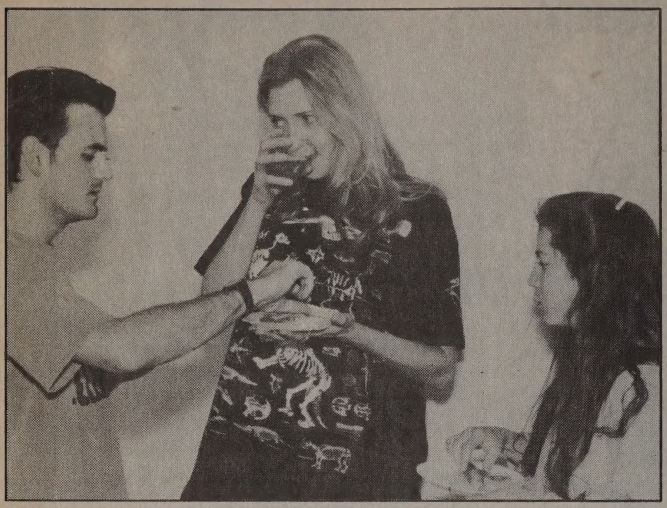

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Victory Fund Publishes "Out For Office"

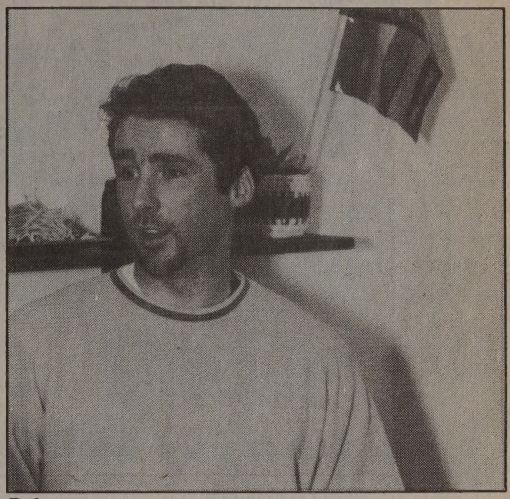
by Kathleen DeBold

The Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund has just published the first political resource directory targeted to the gay and lesbian community and its supporters. *Out for Office: Campaigning in the Gay Nineties*, includes articles by openly gay and lesbian officials and gives readers a behind-the-scenes look at the realities of running for office as openly gay or lesbian.

The book also contains a chronology of gay and lesbian candidacies, and listings of openly gay and lesbian elected and appointed officials, gay and lesbian political clubs and gay and gay-friendly campaign professionals.

The Victory Fund is planning a nationwide tour promoting the book. It's a "must read for anyone who wants to run for office, work on a campaign or get an insider's view of electoral politics," says political guru James Carville, the chief strategist for Clinton/Gore '92. "This book is an invaluable asset to candidates and campaign managers, gay and straight."

For information on obtaining copies of the book, please contact Kathleen DeBold at (202) 842-8679. ▼



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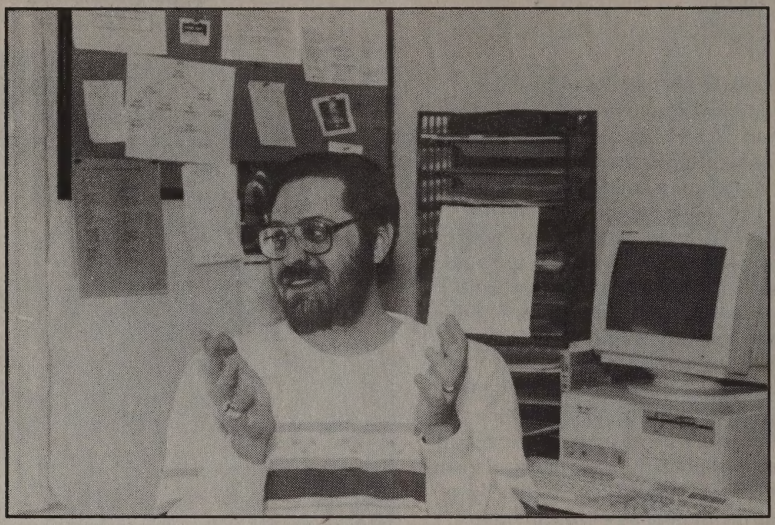

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Upcoming Events for Colorado Springs

HIV Long Term Survival Workshop, April 16-17
Caregivers Workshop, May
578-9092 for information

Upcoming Events for Pueblo

Caregivers Workshop, April 23
561-2616 for information

Programs and Services of S-CAP

Case Management
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Wellness Program
Doctor/Dentist Referrals
Social Activities
-- and more! --

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GayNet News Service

"Everyone wants to know when I'm taking my pants off."

— Actor Nick Turturro, who portrays the rookie cop on the hit TV show "NYPD Blues," talking on "Late Night With Conan O'Brien."

"The goal of electing lesbians and gay men to office is not simply to flex our muscles; we can be far more articulate and uncompromising in representing our issues than can non-gay elected officials. Beyond that, lesbians and gay men in office have shown that we are effective on every policy issue at all levels of government. Most importantly, the power we gain by electing ourselves to office is the power to break down homophobia and change public attitudes about lesbians and gay men.

"As the number of lesbian and gay officials has grown, especially recently with the leadership of the Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund, we have been able to provide a higher level of practical support for lesbians and gay men considering races for public office. But the most important advice we can give is to simply have the courage to run. Power is never relinquished; it has to be taken."

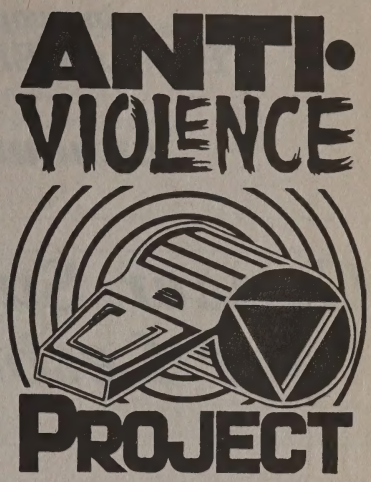
— San Francisco Supervisor Carole Migden, in a recent opinion piece entitled "Running Against Our Friends." ▼

Are you Bisexual, Gay or Lesbian in a Heterosexual Relationship?

What are the possibilities?

Call for information about an Ongoing Group Couple and Individual Sessions (first session free)

Call Doug Norden 685-1032



24-Hour Crisis Line:

338-8899

For more information call: 471-4429

The Anti-Violence Project, Colorado Springs, is a 24-hour confidential crisis hotline. If you are a victim of verbal harrassment, physical violence, discrimination, domestic violence/partner abuse, sexual assault, etc., call the AVP.

The AVP can help you:
(1) document the incident;
(2) give referrals to local victims assistance services & counseling;
(3) help in filing police reports, obtaining restraining orders & providing other legal information.

Volunteer opportunities are available in crisis line staff, legal advocates, fundraising, advertising and as support group facilitators.
Call 471-4429 to receive more information.
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CANCER SUPPORT SERVICES
in cooperation with
THE LAVENDER PROJECT

announces a new

Cancer Support Group for Lesbian Women

First Meeting - Wednesday, April 27, 1994

6:00pm – 7:30pm

- ▼*Confidential, on-going support*
- ▼*Includes partners and/or support friend*
- ▼*Survivors - newly diagnosed and long term*
- ▼*Professionally facilitated*
- ▼*No charge to participate*

For further information call the Lavender Project. **839-7859**

Presbyterian/St. Luke's Medical Center

The Lavender Project

Community Center Open House

Our thanks
to Jim Lundy
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in taking photos
at the
Community Center
Open House
and returning to us
the photos used in this issue

Anyone interested
in Weekend Day Trips
on a Bicycle
please call Jerome
at 635-2118

PPGLCC
Board of Directors Meeting:

Tuesday, April 12, 7:00 pm
PPGLCC Office
121 E. Pikes Peak

DIVERSITY

INCLUSION

La Guia
P.O. Box 1335
Colorado Springs, CO
80901-1335

Community Calendar

TRANSGENDERED SUPPORT GROUP BEGINS REGULAR FRIDAY MEETINGS AT PPGL COMMUNITY CENTER

Transsexual, transvestite and transgendered persons in the Pikes Peak area can now attend a regular support group at 6 pm every Friday at the PPGL Community Center.

This support group is sponsored by the Gender Identity Center of Colorado. For more information, call Samantha Van Gelder, 635-1098.

Group Meetings - March

B-GALA, CC. Bisexual-Gay And Lesbian Alliance, Colorado College. Richard D. Moore (*A More Perfect Union*) to lecture at Colorado College, Gates Common Room of Palmer Hall, Wednesday, April 13, 7:30 pm.

B-GALA, UCCS. Bisexual-Gay And Lesbian Alliance, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs. No report.

CGRA. Colorado Gay Rodeo Association. Regular meetings: 1st Monday (April 4) membership meeting, 7:30 PM. 3rd Monday (April 18) board meeting, 7:00 pm. Both at Hide & Seek.

CMI. Count Me In. 7:30 pm every Thursday. Call Helpline for details.

Dignity. Regular meetings: Mass on 1st and 3rd Saturdays (April 2 and 16), 7:00 pm, Sacred Heart Church, 21st and W Colorado. Call 635-5773 for details.

FLO. For Ladies Only. Meets every other Friday; this month on April 8 and 22.. Call the Helpline for details, 471-4429, or Laurie, 473-6372.

GLAA. Gay & Lesbian Alsoholics Anonymous. Regular meetings: Mondays, Fridays, 8:00 pm. Call Helpline for locations.

GLASG. Gay & Lesbian Adolescent Support Group. Regular meetings: Wednesdays, 6:00 pm. Call Helpline for locations and other details.

The Group. No report. Call Gary for an update: 632-4272.

La Guia. Saturday and Sunday, April 16 & 17, People of Color Arts and Crafts Show, at Gentry's, 21 South Tejon, 632-0707 for details..

LBGF. Lesbian-Bisexual-Gay Families. Regular meetings: 2nd Sunday, 10:30 AM, call Carol or Shellie for location: 570-1599.

Monarch House. There are boxes located in Colorado Springs businesses for food donations, as well as donations of other household goods, to help PLWAs, and to help stock the food bank for Monarch House.

MCC. Pikes Peak Metropolitan Community Church. Regular meetings: Sunday church, 5:00 PM; choir rehearsal Sundays, 3:30 PM. Bingo Fridays at 7:00 PM, Saturdays at noon.

NP. *New Phazes*. Call 634-0236 for time and location of monthly collating party.

P-FLAG. Parents & Friends of Lesbians And Gays. Special fund raiser, an Evening of Music and Poetry, on Saturday, April 16, All Souls Unitarian Church, 7:00 pm, $5 donation suggested. Regular meetings: 2nd Wednesday. 6:00 PM, Newcomers meeting; 7:00 PM, Program.

PPCC. Pikes Peak Community College. No report.

PPDC. Pikes Peak Diversity Chorus. Rehearsals every Wednesday at 7:00 PM, music room of the West Side Intergenerational Learning Center. Call the Helpline for details.

PPGLCC. Pikes Peak Gay & Lesbian Community Center. Board meeting Tuesday, April 12,7:00 pm at the PPGLCC office, 121 East Pikes Peak, Suite 468. Call the Helpline for additional details.

S-CAP. Southern Colorado AIDS Project. Regular meetings: Board, 2nd Tuesday (April 12), 5:30 PM at the S-CAP office, 514 South Tejon. April 9, Black Tie Dinner & Silent Auction, Broadmoor Hotel, 7:00 pm. Call 578-9092.

UCRSE. United Court of the Rising Sun Empire. No report.▼

COMMUNITY VISION

April 1994

Events Calendar

LEGEND

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PPJP - Pikes Pkea Justice & Peace
S-CAP - Southern Colorado AIDS Project (578-9092)
TGSG - Transgender Support Group
UCRSE - United Court of the Rising Sun Empire

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PREMIERE GAY
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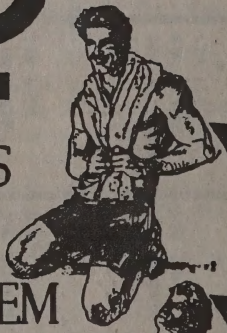

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